



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Alexander J. Dyakonov et al.

Serial No.: 09/723,585

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For: A SMOKING ARTICLE INCLUDING A SELECTIVE CARBON MONOXIDE PUMP

Examiner: Carlos N. Lopez

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action mailed December 17, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as shown. If any further Extension of Time or additional fees for the accompanying response are required, Applicant requests that this be considered a Petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account 501923.

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 4-21 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter therein.

Please amend Claims 1, 2, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 31, 34, 46, and 47 and add new Claims 31, 48-63 as follow:

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